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### **New York Immigration Judge Participates in Naturalization Ceremony**

NEW YORK -- Immigration Judge George Chew from the Executive Office for Immigration Review, New York Immigration Court, delivered the keynote speech and administered the oath of allegiance to approximately 150 candidates during a naturalization ceremony at 26 Federal Plaza in New York on March 8, 2013. The New York District Office of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, hosted the ceremony.

#### **Biographical Information**

Attorney General Janet Reno appointed Judge Chew in September 1995. Judge Chew received a bachelor of arts degree in 1972 from City College of New York and a juris doctorate in 1979 from Antioch School of Law. From 1985 to 1995, he was in private practice in New York. From 1981 to 1984, Judge Chew was a partner with the Law Offices of Wong & Chew, also in New York. From 1979 to 1981, he served as a trial attorney for the former Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York. Judge Chew is a member of the New York State Bar.

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